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SUBJECT: PROJECT FENDER: AMENDMENT TO BILATERAL INFRASTRUCTURE  
AGREEMENT

1. IN INTERESTS OF KEEPING BILATERAL INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT  
UP TO DATE, ITALIANS HAVE ASKED THAT LIST OF AGREED FACILITIES  
BE AMENDED TO REFLECT AIRBORNE DEPLOYMENT TO VICENZA AND  
STATIONING OF AIRBORNE LOGISTICS PERSONNEL AT BOSCOMANTICO  
AIRFIELD. WE SEE NO PROBLEM IN ACCEDING TO ITALIAN REQUEST.  
DEPLOYMENT WILL CONTINUE NORMALLY WHILE PAPER WORK IS BEING  
COMPLETED.

2. EMBASSY ACCORDINGLY SEEKS CIRCULAR 175 AUTHORITY TO  
NEGOTIATE AMENDATORY PROTOCOL VIA EXCHANGE OF NOTES. SUGGESTED  
TEXT OUR NOTE WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

QTE. THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND  
HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF  
DOUCMENT II OF THE BILATERAL INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT SIGNED  
AT ROME ON OCTOBER 20, 1954, WHICH PROVIDES THAT CHANGES AFFECT-  
ING THE PRIMARY USE OF AN INSTALLATION UNDER THE TERMS OF THE  
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AGREEMENT MAY BE EFFECTED "BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERN-

MENTS IN AMENDMENT OF THIS PARTICULAR DOCUMENT," AND TO CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN OFFICIAL OF THE EMBASSY AND THE FOREIGN MINISTRY REGARDING THE DEPLOYMENT OF AN AIRBORNE BATTALION COMBAT TEAM TO VICENZA AND THE STATIONING OF AIRBORNE LOGISTICS PERSONNEL AT BOSCOMANTICO AIRFIELD.

IT IS THEREFORE PROPOSED THAT A PROTOCOL IN AMENDMENT OF DOCUMENT II OF THE BILATERAL INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT, AS AMENDED, BE CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE ITALIAN AND UNITED STATES GOVERNMENTS, SUCH PROTOCOL TO FOLLOW THE STANDARD FORM AND TO CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING SPECIFICATIONS:

GENERAL AREA	APPROXIMATE NUMBER	GENERAL DESCRIPTION
		OF US PERSONNEL (NOT INCLUDING FAMILIES)
BOSCOMANTICO	200	LOGISTICS AND SUPPORT ELEMENTS OF SETAF AIRBORNE UNIT
VICENZA (CASERMA CARLO EDERLE AND RELATED TRAINING FACILITIES)	3000	ARTILLERY UNITS AND/OR UNITS OF OTHER COMBAT ARMS, AND SUPPORTING ELEMENTS

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES TAKES.....HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. END QTE.

3. LANGUAGE USED TO DESCRIBE VICENZA WAS SUGGESTED BY ITALIANS. WHILE IT PERHAPS COULD BE SOMEWHAT MORE SPECIFIC, WE BELIEVE THE POTENTIAL FLEXIBILITY IT AFFORDS US FOR THE FUTURE ARGUES IN FAVOR OF AGREEING TO IT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: GRANT OF CIRCULAR 175 AUTHORITY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. VOLPE

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